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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Thiemo Arnim BLANK

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Title: METAL STRUCTURE COMPATIBLE WITH  
MRI IMAGING, AND METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING SUCH A STRUCTURE

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Examiner: Sarah A. SIMPSON

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 10, 2008, for which a response was due December 10, 2008. Attached hereto is a petition for two-month extension of time to extend the deadline for response from December 10, 2008 to February 10, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.